# Asus Eee PC 1215N Hard Drive Replacement

Hard drive Removal / installation.

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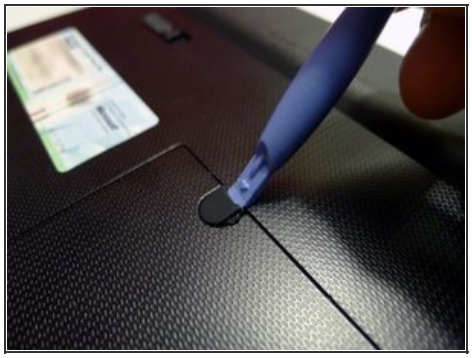
## TOOLS:

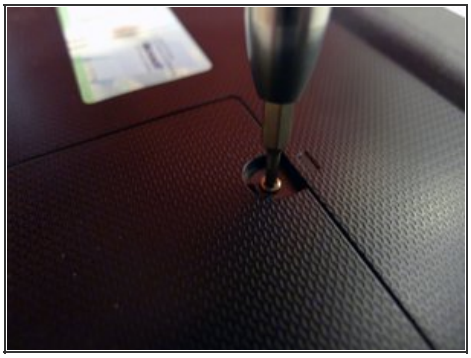
- Anti-Static Wrist Strap (1)
- Phillips #00 Screwdriver (1)
- Plastic Opening Tools (1)
- Spudger (1)

## Step 1 — Battery

- Turn the power off and turn the netbook upside down.
- Slide both battery catches together to release the battery.
- Slide the battery out.

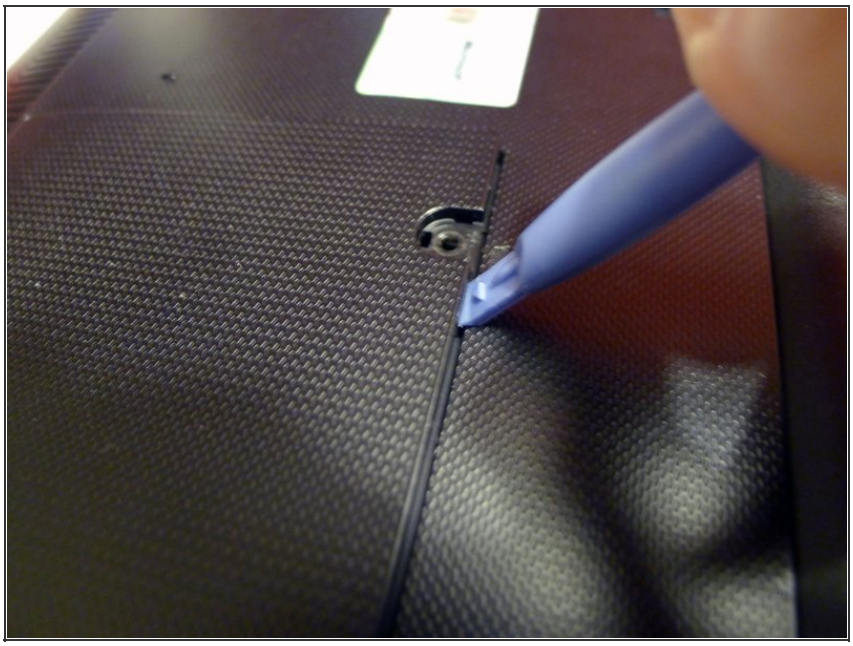
## Step 2 — RAM





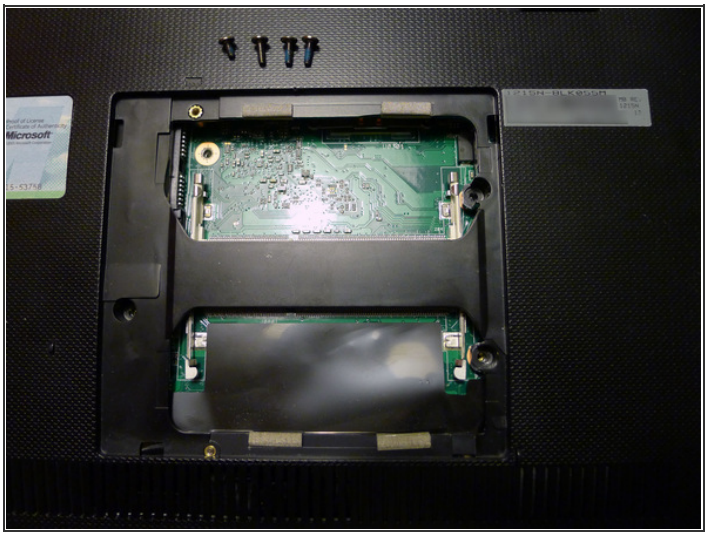
- Locate the memory compartment.
  - Using a Plastic Opening Tools, remove the screw rubber cover.
  - Remove the screw.

## Step 3



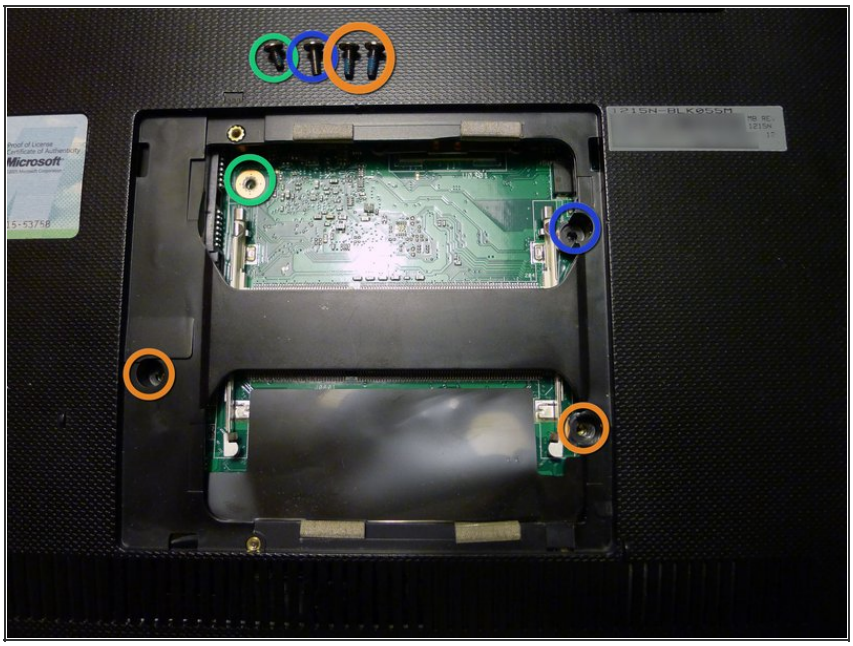
- Use a Plastic Opening Tools near the screw hole to release the cover.
- Remove the cover

## Step 4



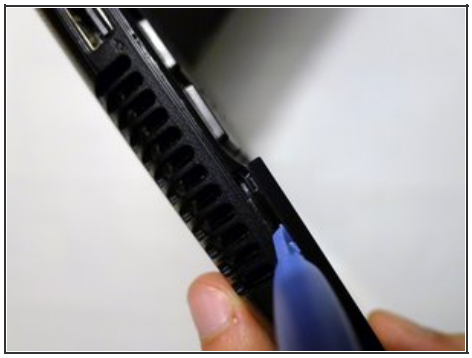
- Using a Spudger, push both right and left metal clip to release one of the RAM module.
- Slide out the RAM module.
- Do the same with the second RAM module if necessary.

## Step 5 — Top Cover (Touchpad)



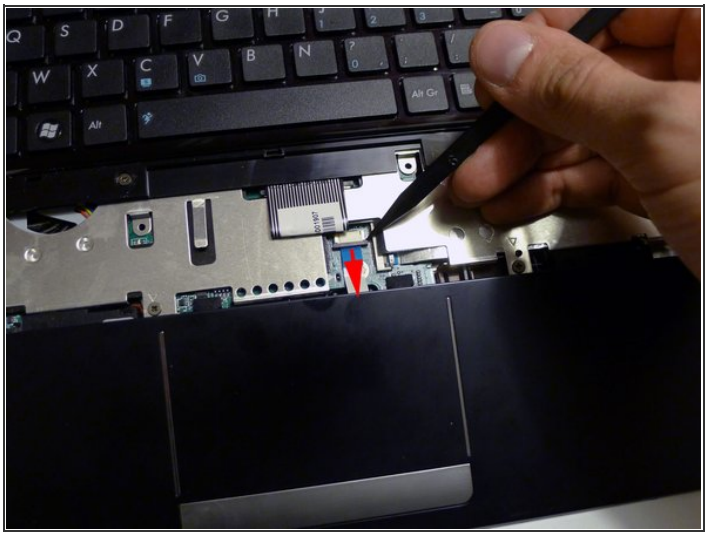
- Remove the screws as necessary.
  - For top cover removing, only remove the 2 bottom screws.
  - For Keyboard removing, remove all 4 screws.
  - The one short screw paterns to uper left screw hole directly on the PCB.

## Step 6



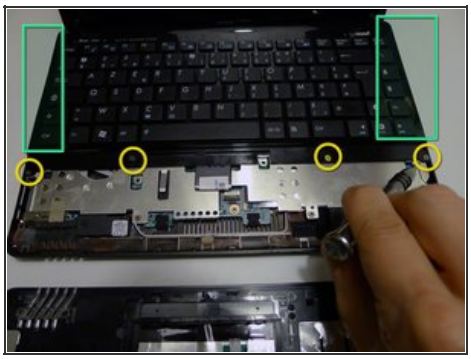
- Use a Plastic Opening Tools to release the top cover.
  - Start from the left side.
  - Go around on the bottom
  - Finish with the right side.
- The top cover is still connected to the PCB with the touchpad ribbon. Handle it carefully.

## Step 7



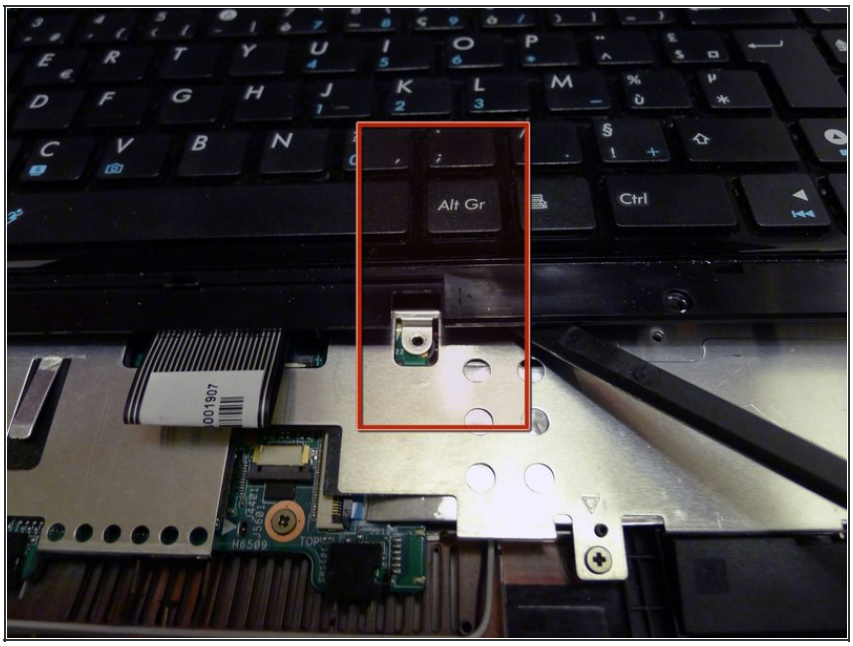
- Carefully slide the top cover to the bottom in order to see the touchpad connector on the PCB.
- Use a Spudger to slide the conector attachment black part and release the ribbon from the PCB.
- Now you can remove the top cover

## Step 8 — Keyboard



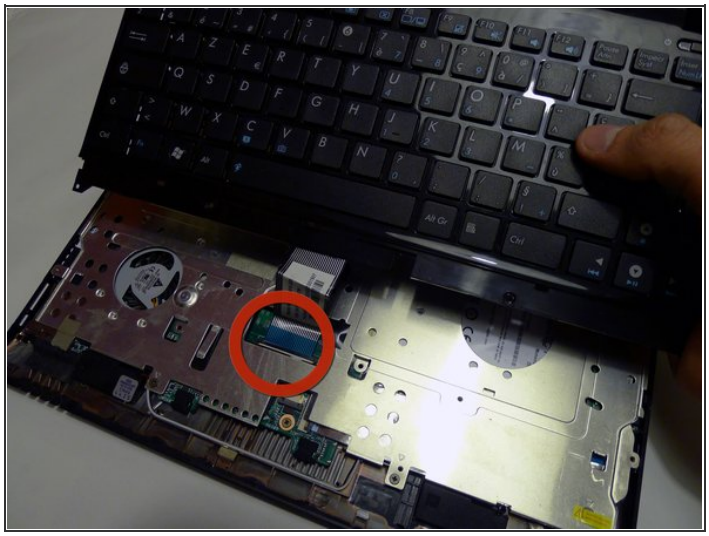
- Make sure that the two upper screws inside the RAM compartment are removed before to continue. (Refer to Step 5).
- Remove the keyboard 4 screws on the bottom.
- Use a Plastic Opening Tools to release the keyboard clips on the left and right side.

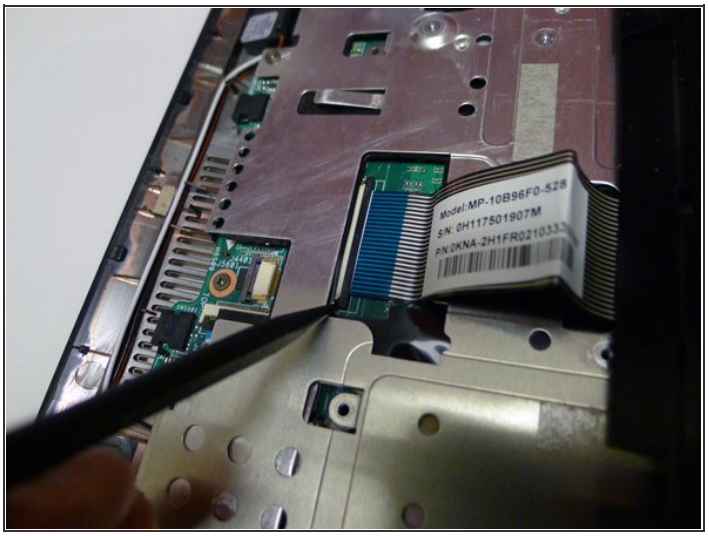
## Step 9




- At this step, the keyboard is still maintained with double-sided tape between the keyboard underside and the metallic PCB protector.
- Carefully slide a Spudger between the keyboard underside and the metallic PCB protector near the center/right at the bottom. Use the spudger as a lever to release the keyboard from the metallic PCB protector.
- The keyboard is still connected to the PCB with a ribbon. Handle it carefully.

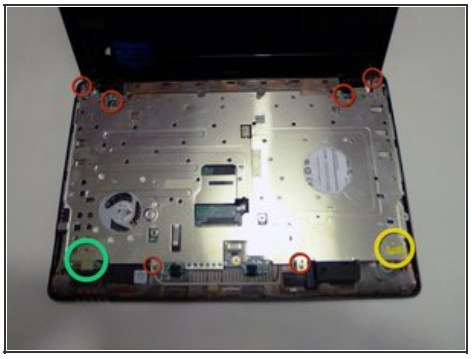
## Step 10

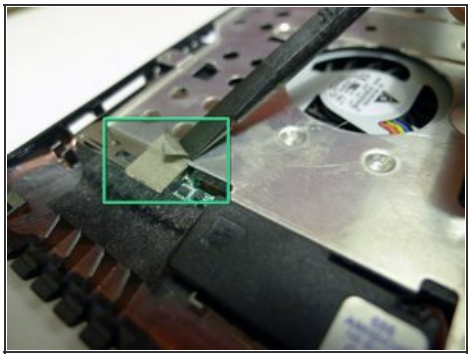




- Carefully slide the keyboard to the top in order to see the ribbon connector on the PCB.
- Use a Spudger to slide the connector attachment black part and release the ribbon from the PCB.
- Now you can remove the keyboard.

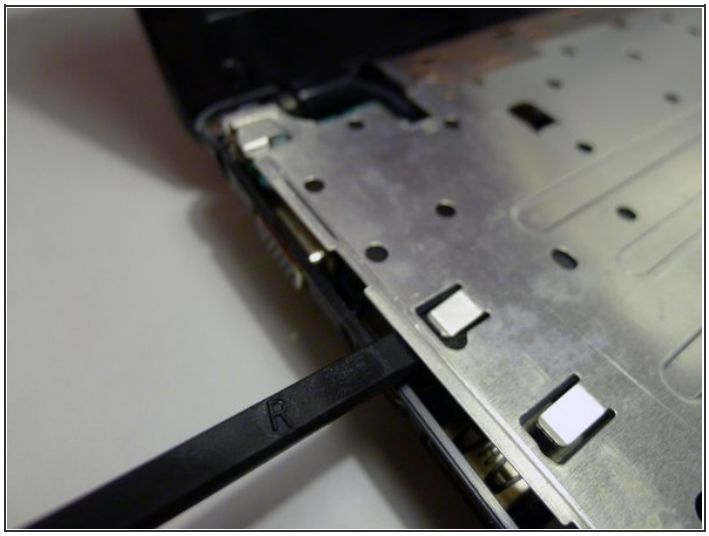
## Step 11 — Metallic PCB protector plate





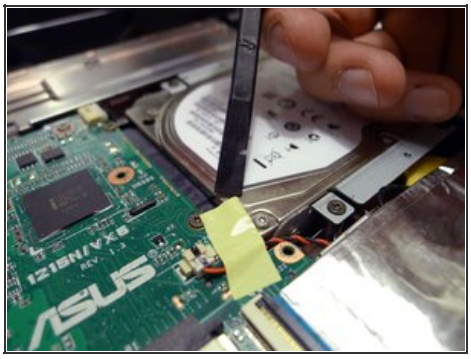
- Peel off the protective tape at the bottom left corner.
- Peel off the warranty void at the bottom right corner and remove the screw below.
- Remove the 6 other screws.

## Step 12



- Remove the protector plate.

## Step 13 — Hard Drive



- Remove the four Phillips #00 screws from the hard drive caddy.
- Peel off any tape covering the hard drive, there is no need to remove it entirely.

## Step 14

- Unplug the hard drive by sliding it to the right, toward the USB ports.
- Remove the hard drive.

To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order.

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